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1. The communication filed on October 22, 2001 is non-responsive to the prior Office action because it fails to comply with the Sequence Rules. Specifically, no CRF was received by the Scientific and Technical Information Center. Also, claim 21 was inadvertently not amended though it also contains nucleotide sequences requiring SEQ ID NOS. Since the response appears to be *bona fide*, but through an apparent oversight or inadvertence failed to provide a complete response, applicant is required to complete the response within a TIME LIMIT of ONE MONTH from the date of this letter or within the time remaining in the response period of the last Office action, whichever is longer. Applicant may elect to either extend the period for response set in the last office action up to a maximum of SIX MONTHS or to extend from this ONE MONTH limit under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) or (b) up to SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this letter.

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2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Arun Chakrabarti , Ph. D., whose telephone number is (703) 306-5818. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:00 AM-4:30 PM from Monday to Friday.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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